Health and Government Operations House Bill 1399 UNFAVORABLE

Honorable Chair, Vice Chair, and Members of the Health and Government Operations Committee;

Please give House Bill 1399, regarding the intrusion of government into personal medical decisions, an Unfavorable report.

Protect trans kids from the bigotry that puts their lives at risk. Puberty blockers have been in use for decades and are safe enough for children, which the sponsor certainly knows since he didn't include children with precocious puberty in this bill's ban. The use of puberty blockers and hormones **significantly** decreases the risks of depression and suicidality in transgender youth. The sponsor and cosponsors of this bill are blatantly seeking to **single out**, **discriminate against**, **and harm** transgender people. This obsession they have with transgender children is sick.

<u>People who can't conceive of loving their children unconditionally shouldn't have children to begin with</u>. Someone should protect **their** kids from **them**. I am disgusted by this bill, and by the people who are backing it.

Please do the right thing and protect transgender people by voting against this cruel and evil bill. Thank you.

Sincerely, Debi Jasen Pasadena, MD